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**BROILERS PLACED IN ALABAMA DOWN SLIGHTLY
BROILER EGGS SET DOWN 1 PERCENT**

Placement of broiler chicks in Alabama during the week ending November 10, 2012 was 18.5 million, down 2 percent from the previous week, and down slightly from the comparable week last year, according to the USDA, NASS Alabama Field Office. An estimated 27.0 million broiler type eggs were set by Alabama hatcheries, up 9 percent from the previous week, but down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier.

Alabama Broiler-Type Eggs Set and Broiler-Type Chicks Placed

Week Ended	Eggs Set			Chicks Placed		
	2011	2012	% of prev. yr.	2011	2012	% of prev. yr.
	Thousands			Thousands		
Oct 6	26,879	27,088	101	18,155	18,901	104
Oct 13	26,220	26,053	99	19,780	19,778	100
Oct 20	26,256	26,218	100	18,277	18,660	102
Oct 27	25,178	25,755	102	19,686	19,380	98
Nov 3	24,116	24,787	103	19,403	18,979	98
Nov 10	27,255	27,018	99	18,624	18,534	100

BROILER CHICKS PLACED IN ALABAMA BY WEEK, 2011-2012



Broiler-Type Eggs Set – 19 Selected States: 2012

State	Week ending					
	October 6, 2012	October 13, 2012	October 20, 2012	October 27, 2012	November 3, 2012	November 10, 2012
	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)	(1,000 eggs)
Alabama	27,088	26,053	26,218	25,755	24,787	27,018
Arkansas	20,310	17,697	18,329	20,061	20,132	21,045
Delaware	3,161	3,158	3,162	3,240	3,284	3,263
Florida	1,351	1,353	1,088	1,353	1,351	1,353
Georgia	31,333	30,865	28,995	30,168	29,852	31,559
Kentucky	7,654	7,014	6,753	7,319	7,330	7,183
Louisiana	2,977	3,304	3,298	3,183	2,956	2,956
Maryland	6,654	7,471	7,071	6,766	6,803	7,136
Mississippi	16,496	16,543	16,364	16,365	15,168	17,470
Missouri	7,823	7,606	7,210	7,867	6,859	7,258
North Carolina	18,565	17,382	17,924	19,331	19,266	19,997
Oklahoma	6,936	6,287	6,416	6,622	6,662	6,553
Pennsylvania	3,639	3,647	3,353	3,246	3,167	3,518
South Carolina	4,792	4,924	5,654	5,122	5,156	5,129
Texas	13,240	13,034	12,609	13,206	12,996	13,980
Virginia	5,971	6,019	5,543	6,195	4,780	5,455
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,889	9,461	8,418	10,563	10,261	10,414
19 State total	187,879	181,818	178,405	186,362	180,810	191,287
Previous year total	186,317	181,852	183,537	185,172	186,594	194,224
Percent of previous year	101	100	97	101	97	98

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed – 19 Selected States: 2012

State	Week ending					
	October 6, 2012	October 13, 2012	October 20, 2012	October 27, 2012	November 3, 2012	November 10, 2012
	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)	(1,000 chicks)
Alabama	18,901	19,778	18,660	19,380	18,979	18,534
Arkansas	18,701	18,906	18,637	19,282	17,289	17,258
Delaware	4,118	3,509	3,720	4,232	4,164	4,074
Florida	935	935	1,023	1,291	1,276	1,035
Georgia	27,034	27,814	25,953	26,577	25,812	25,119
Kentucky	5,690	6,718	5,762	5,910	5,544	5,368
Louisiana	2,952	2,845	2,700	2,703	2,949	2,981
Maryland	5,440	6,386	6,331	5,259	5,712	4,848
Mississippi	14,301	13,545	13,616	14,142	13,994	13,863
Missouri	4,874	5,327	4,770	5,543	4,996	4,849
North Carolina	14,664	14,407	15,158	14,988	14,505	15,044
Oklahoma	4,465	4,782	4,854	4,356	3,706	4,181
Pennsylvania	2,778	2,675	2,972	2,945	2,901	2,798
South Carolina	4,601	3,704	4,127	3,818	4,251	3,726
Texas	10,883	10,751	11,684	11,148	11,027	10,769
Virginia	4,228	4,877	4,495	4,494	4,526	4,260
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	9,425	9,020	9,802	10,666	10,090	8,560
19 State total	153,990	155,979	154,264	156,734	151,721	147,267
Previous year total	148,802	155,108	151,134	153,311	149,126	152,174
Percent of previous year	103	101	102	102	102	97

Average hatchability for chicks hatched in the 19 selected States during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.